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To establish the Great Falls Historic District, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. BRADLEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

To establish the Great Falls Historic District, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Great Falls Preserva-
5 tion and Redevelopment Act of 1993”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 As used in this Act—

8 (1) the term “District” means the Great Falls
9 Historic District established under section 4; and

1 (2) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary
2 of the Interior.

3 **SEC. 3. PURPOSE.**

4 The purpose of this Act is to preserve and interpret
5 the educational and inspirational benefit of the unique and
6 distinguished contribution to our national heritage of cer-
7 tain historic and cultural lands, waterways, and edifices
8 of the Great Falls Historic District. Such purpose shall
9 be carried out with an emphasis on harnessing this unique
10 urban environment for its educational and recreational
11 value, and enhancing economic and cultural redevelopment
12 within the District.

13 **SEC. 4. GREAT FALLS HISTORIC DISTRICT.**

14 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
15 city of Paterson in the county of Passaic in the State of
16 New Jersey the Great Falls Historic District.

17 (b) BOUNDARIES.—The boundaries of the District
18 shall be the boundaries as specified for the Great Falls
19 Historic District listed on the National Register of His-
20 toric Places.

21 **SEC. 5. ADMINISTRATION.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall administer
23 the District through cooperative agreements in accordance
24 with this Act.

25 (b) GRANTS; COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—In expending sums made
2 available pursuant to this Act, the Secretary may
3 make grants to, and enter into cooperative agree-
4 ments with, nonprofit entities for—

5 (A) the purchase of property or easements;

6 (B) emergency stabilization; and

7 (C) the establishment of a coordinated
8 fund.

9 (2) PURPOSE.—Grants and cooperative agree-
10 ments entered into under this subsection shall be
11 used to carry out this Act, including the following
12 activities:

13 (A) An evaluation of—

14 (i) the condition of historic and archi-
15 tectural resources existing on the date of
16 enactment of this Act; and

17 (ii) the environmental and flood haz-
18 ard conditions within the District.

19 (B) Recommendations for—

20 (i) rehabilitating, reconstructing, and
21 adaptively reusing such historic and archi-
22 tectural resources;

23 (ii) preserving viewsheds, focal points,
24 and streetscapes;

- 1 (iii) establishing gateways to the Dis-
- 2 trict;
- 3 (iv) establishing and maintaining
- 4 parks and public spaces;
- 5 (v) restoring, improving, and develop-
- 6 ing raceways and adjacent areas;
- 7 (vi) developing public parking areas;
- 8 (vii) improving pedestrian and vehicu-
- 9 lar circulation within the District;
- 10 (viii) improving security within the
- 11 District, with an emphasis on preserving
- 12 historically significant structures from
- 13 arson; and
- 14 (ix) establishing a visitor's center.

15 (c) RESTORATION, MAINTENANCE, AND INTERPRE-

16 TATION.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may enter

18 into cooperative agreements with the owners of prop-

19 erties within the District of historical or cultural sig-

20 nificance as determined by the Secretary, pursuant

21 to which the Secretary may mark, interpret, im-

22 prove, restore, and provide technical assistance with

23 respect to the preservation and interpretation of

24 such properties.

1 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—Each agreement entered
2 into pursuant to paragraph (1) shall contain provi-
3 sions ensuring that—

4 (A) the Secretary shall have the right of
5 access at reasonable times to public portions of
6 the property for interpretive and other pur-
7 poses; and

8 (B) no changes or alterations shall be
9 made in the property except by mutual agree-
10 ment.

11 (d) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH STATE.—In
12 administering the District, the Secretary may enter into
13 cooperative agreements with the State of New Jersey, or
14 any political subdivision thereof, for rendering, on a reim-
15 bursable basis, rescue, firefighting, and law enforcement
16 services, cooperative assistance by nearby law enforcement
17 and fire preventive agencies, and for other appropriate
18 purposes.

19 **SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

20 There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as
21 are necessary to carry out this Act.

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